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## **Follow up to Police-Involved Shooting Investigation**

The officer involved in the police-involved shooting on August 23, 2018, is also the subject of a criminal investigation stemming from a citizen complaint filed earlier in August. The Division of Police takes the allegations in the complaint seriously and is working to determine if there is any connection between the allegations contained in the citizen complaint and the circumstances surrounding the police-involved shooting.

Criminal allegations against officers are investigated and reviewed for criminal charges not only by the investigating detectives, but also the Division’s legal advisors and the appropriate prosecutor’s office (City or County) after the facts and evidence are gathered. Due to the significance of both of these investigations, the Division will be consulting regularly with legal advisors and the appropriate prosecutor’s office as the parallel investigations proceed.

The officer involved sustained significant injury and will not be returning to full duty until he is medically cleared and receives a mandatory psychological assessment. He will not resume any Vice Unit responsibilities until the Division has enough factual information about the allegations to determine if he faces discipline and/or criminal charges.

In all police-involved shootings where a death occurs, the criminal investigation of the shooting will be presented to the Franklin County Prosecutor and a grand jury. At the conclusion of criminal investigations, the Division also conducts administrative investigations and/or reviews to determine if Division policies have been violated.

If anyone has information related either of these investigations, we would ask them to contact the Columbus Division of Police Internal Affairs Bureau at 614-645-4880.

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